

**COMMON COUNCIL**  
**JULY 21, 2020**

The Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana, met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall, 101 W. Main Street.

Mayor Courtney opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Thevenow, Rampy, Bartlett, D. Dattilo, Chatham and D. Dattilo. Creech had an excused absence. (6-1).

**MINUTES:**

Thevenow made a motion to approve the July 7, 2020 minutes, seconded by Bartlett. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

**DISTINGUISHING CITIZEN PROCLAMATION:**

Mayor Courtney read a proclamation honoring Dave Adams and Steve Leach as Distinguished Citizens. Adams and Leach have both spent countless hours volunteering to help fellow citizens these past several months both with time and treasure.

**RESOLUTIONS OR BILLS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-42**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL**  
**OF THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA**  
**TRANSFERRING CERTAIN FUNDS**

Chief of Staff McGee and Chief Wallace explained that these funds were being transferred to cover the salary of a much needed permanent part time position of an evidence room manager for the police department. Bartlett made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-42, seconded by Chatham. Roll call vote: Chatham – Y, Bartlett – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, D. Dattilo – Y, Rampy – Y, Thevenow – Y. Resolution is passed (6-0).

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-43**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION SUBMISSION**  
**AND LOCAL MATCH COMMITMENT. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**OF THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL**  
**OF THE COVID-19 RESPONSE APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY**  
**AND RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS**

Economic development director Matt Wirth addressed the Council and stated the importance of this resolution in enabling the City to apply for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) dollars to aid small businesses that have been adversely affected by the Covid-19 virus. The

businesses must create or retain at least 51% low to moderate income employees. The City is applying for \$250,000.00 with a required match from the City of \$50,000.00 that will come from economic development funds. There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, July 28 to inform and help the public with questions. This will be part of the Mayor's Mobilize Madison plan. Rampy made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-43, seconded by D. Dattilo. Roll call vote: Rampy – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Chatham – Y, Bartlett – Y, Thevenow – Y, D. Dattilo – Y. Resolution is passed (6-0).

**BILLS ON FIRST READING:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-10 (THEVENOW)  
FAIR HOUSING ORDINANCE**

Rampy made a motion that Attorney Jenner not have to read the lengthy document that is a slight rewording of an already passed Fair Housing Ordinance, seconded by Chatham. All in favor, motion carried. Ordinance No. 2020-10 will move to the second reading at the next council meeting.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-11  
DRUG FREE WORKPLACE ORDINANCE (D. DATTILO)**

For the reasons above D. Dattilo made a motion that Attorney Jenner not have to read the document, seconded by Rampy. All in favor, motion carried (6-0). Ordinance No. 2020-11 will move to the second reading at the next council meeting.

**REPORTS OF STANDING/SELECT COMMITTEES:**

The Riverfront Alcohol Permit Committee submitted their approval of Mad Paddle Brewery for council consideration. Matt Wirth and Jerry Wade gave an overview of the company's plans for the future including food, a distillery and banquet facilities. Citizens Kevin Watkins, Dave Burnham, Bill Pekinpaugh, Rusty Bladen and Ed Ray all spoke in favor of Jerry Wade and Mad Paddle's endeavors and potential contribution to the local economy. Chatham made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Rampy. Roll call vote: L. Dattilo – Y, Thevenow – Y, Chatham – Y, Bartlett – Y, D. Dattilo – Y, Rampy – Y. The Mad Paddle application is approved (6-0).

**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS:**

Building Inspector Brian Martin gave updates on the various projects going on around the city. The Eagle Cotton Mill is moving along at a very efficient pace. Martin hopes for an opening the Spring of 2020. Autumn Trace is close to opening. Riverview Tower Lofts is a steady work in progress in what Martin termed a very complicated renovation. Clifty Commercial Properties, Super ATV, is close to completion in two buildings while a third is under interior demolition and cleanup phase. Mad Paddle Brewery is in phase two of renovation. The Geyman Vet Clinic construction is underway, The MCHS new construction is in the final inspection phase. Bethany Home Health Care is nearing completion. Several restaurants – Tapatio, Mi Viejo, Al Forno and Rivertown Eatery are all still under some level of construction with reopening targeted for the end of July. There are five new homes under construction on the hilltop and four downtown. There are multiple renovation and rehabilitation projects under the PACE program. A city of

Madison Flood Plain Ordinance is in front of Mayor Courtney for approval and then to be submitted to the council.

Preservation Coordinator Nicole Schell submitted her report to the council. At the June 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Historic Board of Review there were 5 applications that were approved. During COVID-19 the staff approved the following applications following a 15 day comment period: Restorations at 505 and 507 Walnut St., fences at 619 W. Main, 214 E. Third St., 938 W. Second and 301 W. Second. Windows were approved at 842 W. Third, restoration at 611 Mulberry and siding at 614 W. Second. The PACE Committee approved 8 applications at their July 15 meeting. With Stellar projects Sedam Construction continues off site work at the Tower Tack Factory. The Stellar team continues to work on plans for Crystal Beach and Clifty Drive sidewalks. Construction should start at Crystal Beach at the end of the season and Clifty drive will go to bid at the beginning of next year. Plans and an estimated cost for Georgetown Park are being finalized and a bid date will be determined. Work continues with the Friends of the Ohio Theatre and an architectural firm has been hired to complete the necessary plans. It is hoped that the Ohio Theatre project can be bid in the fall.

Assistant Park Director Matt Woolard gave an update on all park related activities. Adult leagues and leagues at Rucker Sports Complex were running smoothly until two positive cases of Covid-19 were detected of players at Rucker Sports Complex. On July 15 all events at the complex and adult leagues were postponed until August 1<sup>st</sup>. The city campground is at full capacity. Randy Gray has done a great job. Operations at Sunrise Golf Course remain the same. Work needed to be done on the sprinkler system and it is now back up and running. Bathrooms on the course are now open with proper sanitation procedures. Some machinery has needed repair. The new online software with ActivNet should be up and running in October. Playgrounds have re-opened. A seasonal lease program with John Deere for equipment is being looked at in conjunction with the street department. Legal teams with IKE and the city are looking at the city's takeover of the Madison Sports Courts. A sand volleyball tournament "Volley Vaughn" is scheduled for August 15<sup>th</sup>. A Yoga in the Park series is in the planning with potential instructors.

**BILLS ON SECOND READING:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-9 (Thevenow)  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA  
AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE  
CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA**

This amends the zoning of 416-427 Cragmont from Local Business to Medium Density Residential. Rumpy made a motion to suspend the rules and move to the third reading, seconded by Chatham. All on favor, motion carried (6-0).

**BILLS ON THIRD READING:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-9 (Thevenow)**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA  
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Roll call vote: Bartlett – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Rampy – Y, Thevenow – Y, D. Dattilo – Y, Chatham – Y.  
Ordinance No. 2020-9 is passed (6-0).

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Courtney reported the City is still under Phase 4.5 of the Governor’s plan. Courtney expressed his excitement that the city’s unemployment has gone from the mid 20’s to about 10%. The city’s Covid testing site is open and will operate from 8:00 AM until 8:00 PM. The testing is free and 80 people were tested today. There is much planning to do for the city takeover of Main Street. A design firm has been hired and a Steering Committee will be formed. Courtney anticipated the process will take place over the course of years. Mayor Courtney also described the volume of truck traffic on Main Street. He reiterated that a bypass for heavy truck traffic has been long in the making and that the city will begin enforcing its existing traffic ordinance regarding weight and speed limits on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. Courtney continues to invite anyone in the community to attend our City Council meetings which acts as a community town hall meeting twice a month.

Next council meeting is Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall.

D. Dattilo made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Rampy. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 P.M.

**APPROVED:**

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President Pro Tempore,

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Rick Berry, Clerk-Treasurer